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## The Constitution, Our Charter Of Liberty

A Defender Hour Broadcast...By Dr. Gerald B. Winrod

ENEMIES are at work in the United States. They hate the American system of government. They are taking orders from abroad. They are creating unrest. They are fomenting hatreds. They want to replace our form of government with some outworn system resurrected from the past. They call it "planned economy."

In reality they want to put the American people in a strait jacket. They want to regulate every detail of your personal life. They want to dominate your thinking. They want to deny you the right of worship. They want to take from you those freedoms which make life worth living.

They want to abolish our written Constitution and substitute personal rule by arbitrary decree. They want government by men instead of government by law.

In the city of Moscow there is a strange university. It has for many years conducted courses in several different languages. Students go there from all parts of the world. The name of this institution is Lenin University.

Every student must be a member of the international Communist party. Thousands have attended from the United States. Other schools educate their students to become better citizens. Lenin University trains youth to help wreck their respective countries.

The courses taught at Lenin University reduce revolution to a science. They warp the mind of the student in such a way as to render him unfit to live in organized society. He becomes an enemy of God, an enemy of Christianity and an enemy of orderly government.

The Communist party of the United States has for years kept a steady stream of recruits going and coming between here and Moscow. These people, trained in the technique of revolution, are today heading the various leftwing movements on American soil—for the purpose of undermining our Chris-

tian institutions and Constitutional form of government.

They often work from behind strange fronts. They appear in unexpected places. They use deceptive labels to hide their criminal activities. They know how to camouflage their schemes. They constantly appropriate the name democracy. They even call themselves "friends of democracy." But their definition of democracy is different from yours. They are determined to destroy liberty. The Constitution stands in their way. They are therefore trying to circumvent or liquidate the immortal document.

It has been estimated that 40-billion people have lived on this earth since the birth of Christ. Not more than three per cent of this number have enjoyed systems of government guaranteeing them human liberty and personal rights. Not more than three per cent could call their souls their own. Not more than three per cent could be regarded as free men.

And this small minority have resided in the United States since the year 1789, when the Constitution was adopted. Liberty exists only where the principles of Christianity are accepted and applied. Christianity is the soul of democratic government.

Liberty originates in the moral law. It is not of human origin. Liberty is of divine origin. It is rooted in the Word of God, the Christian religion and the conscience of man. It belongs to the realm of morality.

John Adams said: "Liberty is a moral

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right derived from the Legislator of the universe."

Abraham Lincoln said: "Liberty is right because Christ said so and Christ is God."

The men who wrote the Constitution knew that they had found, in the teachings of Jesus Christ, the only safe foundation — the absolute, eternal, moral principles upon which good government could be established.

Today those ideals of the founding fathers are being challenged. It is difficult to maintain a temperate attitude toward people, who deliberately lend themselves to the support of atheistic doctrines that will destroy human liberty, in this part of the world, if not held in check.

As a Minister of the Gospel, I am disturbed over the large number of professing Christian people who have, in recent years, permitted themselves to be duped by false propaganda originating with Communist sources. Time and again in my travels, I have encountered Pastors of commanding pulpits, fraternizing and cooperating with those who hate Christ, hate the Church and hate democratic government.

I can not understand what such men are thinking about! Should the Communist plot come to fruition in this part of the world, their Churches would be confiscated. And they themselves would have to go the rest of the way and become outright atheists, or face the firing squad.

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I say it deliberately: WE HAVE TOO MANY RED PREACHERS DESECRATING PULPITS IN THE UNITED STATES. Where members of the clergy apostatize, Bible-believing laymen have a special responsibility. It is up to them—the laymen, to preserve the true Gospel testimony in their Churches.

We all recall the history of those critical years when the American Republic was being developed. The people who had preferred a wilderness in the new

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# America's Terroristic Underground Must Be Destroyed

Reviewing The Tragic Book Of The Hour For Christians And Patriots

JOSEPH P. KAMP is a master investigator. His organization, the Constitutional Educational League, has perhaps the most complete set of files in existence, outside of Federal Bureau of Investigation headquarters at Washington.

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"Mr. Kamp is one of the most reliable

and patriotic publicists this Country has ever produced." says an editorial in the Macon Georgia Telegraph. "It is doubtful if any man in the United States has rendered a finer service to the cause of Americanism."

Police officials, members of Congress, the United States Civil Service Commission, Army Intelligence, Navy Intelligence and the Federal Bureau of Investigation . . . all sought, and received, authentic information from Mr. Kamp's extensive files during the war.

How he gets his information, remains a mystery!

Only a shrewd, trained, experienced investigator would know where, and how, to gather the facts regarding the American Underground which he exposes in his new book—just off the press, entitled, "AN OPEN LETTER TO CONGRESS."

And only a true American patriot, who loves his Country more than life itself, would have the courage to publish such facts after acquiring them. One needs to read no more than the first ten pages of the book, to understand the personal risk Mr. Kamp has assumed by publishing the document.

Disraeli once said: "The world is governed by very different personages, from what is imagined by those who are not behind the scenes."

This book very definitely shows, what is going on "behind the scenes," in the United States.

The conspiracy is so well concealed . . . and yet so colossal, that the average reader will feel stunned when the facts are spread before him. There might be a tendency to doubt some of the exposures, were they not supported by photostatic copies of documents.

A MERICA'S MOST SERIOUS Communist problem is here at home, not in Europe or Asia. But there will be no hope of a solution, until the public as a whole, learns at least in a general way, what Mr. Kamp and other informed leaders know.

If there had been organizations like the Constitutional Educational League in Czechoslovakia to spread enlightenment,

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the Country would not have broken up from the inside. Moscow shackles could not have been placed on the people.

For reasons which he explains, Mr. Kamp addresses his message to the Congress. He wants the legislative branch of the national Government to know what he has uncovered. But, in a broader sense, the book is a report to the American people as a whole.

The real leaders of the Communist movement in the United States are highly trained intellectuals. They are clever rascals. They possess great power. Their minds are warped. Intrigue and deception are their chief weapons. They rely upon the lie method. A man has to be a liar to serve the Communist cause.

There is, in our Country, a network of Communist-front organizations. Taken collectively, they comprise a vast, red Underground, connected by an occult spy-ring. They operate in unison, and their chief function is to beat down all Communist opposition.

WITHOUT THE SUPPORT OF TH'S GESTAPO, THE COMMUNIST PARTY WOULD NEVER HAVE BEEN ABLE TO ESTABLISH A BEACHHEAD ON AMERICAN SOIL. Men and women who have opposed Communism, may expect to be subjected to public smearing. Such attacks always originate beneath the surface, inside the sinister circles of the Gestapo.

The assassins have ways for using newspapers, newsstand publications, radio outlets, the silver screen . . . and even some pulpits and sections of the religious press. They know how to plant a lie against a person in public life, and have it repeated so often that the victim is smeared beyond recognition.

No name, organization, Church or office of public trust is exempt from the contaminating touch of the smear artist. Mr. Kamp gives names, dates, places and details showing how the interlocking ring of criminal organizations works. He brings to light, the hidden masters behind the conspiracy. He shows who puts up the money.

ON PAGE 12 of this "Open Letter to Congress," we read the following confession:

"This is the first time I have used the word 'Jewish' in a derogatory sense, in millions of words I have written and published in the past 25 years. Despite the smears, persecutions and libels, impugning my loyalty and patriotism that I have suffered and endured at its

#### GESTAPO EXPOSED

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hands, I have, up to now, been reluctant to name the JEWISH GESTAPO . . .

"After careful consideration I now come to the conclusion, however, that it will best serve the interest of all Americans, Jews and Christians alike, if this whole dirty business is brought into the open . . . so that it can be stopped."

Then the Author reminds the members of Congress that they have the power, and responsibility, to tear the props from beneath Communism in the Western Hemisphere by destroying the Underground. He warns them, however, that the task will be difficult: "It will not be an easy job to investigate and expose the Jewish Gestapo and Smear Bund and their campaign."

With this premise established, Mr. Kamp tells a running story of duplicity, spying, smearing, intimidation and terrorism, unsurpassed outside of Russia.

Masterminds of the Underground will cringe when they see actual photographs of some of their letters, reports and written orders to subordinates, reproduced in these pages. They will wonder, with the reader, how the Constitutional Educational League came into possession of such priceless documentary evidence—exposing the most ruthless Gestapo ever created.

Mr. Kamp rejects the idea that a private police agency, operating for terroristic purposes, should be tolerated in the United States.

SPACE IS AVAILABLE in this review to discuss only two exposures, found in the pages of "An Open Letter To Congress" . . . typical of many others that could be cited.

#### First:

Mr. Kamp discusses the infamous Sedition trial, engineered by the Underground in cooperation with the Roosevelt administration, for the purpose of making it a felony to oppose Communism.

The Gestapo succeeded in keeping indictments hanging over the heads of the victims more than five years. The Case was finally thrown out of court by an honest judge, who called it "a travesty upon justice." The depth of duplicity and devitry behind this outrageous proceeding is almost unbelievable. Mr. Kamp spreads the whole thing before the reader.

The origin of the Case is explained. William Power Maloney and John Reddan were the original prosecutors. Maloney was castigated by the United States Supreme Court. John Rogge, who recently volunteered to become Henry Wallace's running mate, was appointed in his place.

The American Grand Jury has always been one of the purest phases of our entire judicial system. Everything that transpires in the room, is required to be kept in strictest secrecy.

Under Maloney and Reddan, this procedure was flagrantly violated. Testimony given before their Grand Jury was paraded on the front pages of the Washington Post, New York Post, Wichita Beacon, PM, and other Jewish-owned newspapers. (Mr. Kamp says that Reddan is now holding a \$9,000 a year Government job.)

Walter Winchell, a spokesman for the Gestapo, announced back in those days, that "a lot of Congressmen will be indicted for nedition." He publicly atwer mal Am

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tacked members of Congress as "dopes," "hams," "soreheads," "saps" and "saboteurs." He referred to the House of Representatives, as the "House of Reprehensibles." He made gibes about "the so-called sacred portals of the Congress of the United States."

This was at a time when Communists were trying to demoralize Congress, and make Roosevelt dictator of a Soviet America.

Maloney and Reddan had an assistant by the name of Helmut Oberwinder - a German-born "agent of the Secret Gestapo, under the name of John C. Metcalfe."

Mr. Kamp says that Oberwinder-Metcalfe sent telegrams, containing day-today reports of developments inside the Grand Jury room, to Walter Winchell and other leaders of B'nai B'rith Jewry.

The Committee On Un-American Activities heard what was happening, and served a subpoena on Western Union at Washington, demanding copies of all the messages. An investigator for the Committee later delivered them to Chairman Martin Dies.

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Thereupon a mystery man, whom Mr. Kamp describes as "a mastermind of the Gestapo," called at Committee headquarters. The Chairman, was out of town, and the stranger left this message:

"I'm Frank Prince. A half hour ago, one of your investigators seized some telegrams at Western Union. You had better get hold of the Congressman and tell him those telegrams are not to be copied or photostated, and they'd better be returned within one hour. He wouldn't want to see anybody hurt."

The Chairman was reached by long distance telephone. He ordered the telegrams returned to Western Union with instructions to hold them, pending further action.

Mr. Kamp says: "At a later date, when another subpoena was issued for their production, they had disappeared from the safe."

This incident is submitted as an example, of the Gestapo being MORE POWERFUL THAN THE CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES.

Mr. Kamp publishes two photographs of the mysterious Frank Prince under the heading, "A Gestapo Mastermind." The following thumbnail biography is also

"Morris Czech, alias Frank Prince, alias W. M. Linke, alias W. M. Earlinger, alias Fred Perkins, alias F. T. Ellington, originally hid his spy network behind the innocuous Information and Service Associates,' financed by an outfit called

the 'American Jewish Joint Consultative Council,' organized in 1933 by Alfred M. Cohen, Grand Master of B'nai B'rith. Later he had an office at the New York center of the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith. In recent years he has made his headquarters in Washington."

#### Second:

As previously stated, space is available in this review to discuss only two exposures, of Underground operations. Dozens of others are recorded in the book. The second, chosen for consideration, also relates to the so-called Sedition Case. We read:

"In 1942, the Communists and the Jewish Gestapo used the Department of Justice, in an attempt to put all anti-Communists out of business. Vito Marcantonio, the Communists' mouthpiece, told Attorney General Biddle just which domestic fascist anti-Communists should be brought to justice.'

"The Jewish Gestapo supplied the names and dossiers on those to be indicted, and organized the smear. The F.B.I. refused to cooperate in the plot.

"The Sedition Case was born in the mind of Miles Goldberg, then head of the top Jewish Gestapo, with headquarters in Chicago."

Mr. Kamp then shows how plans were made for faking evidence against those marked to be destroyed. He mentions Joseph E. McWilliams as one who was deliberately "framed."

"It is a long story," says Mr. Kamp, "but the sordid beginning can be seen in the following report, dated October 6, 1939, sent by Robert Greenfield, then head of the Gestapo's New York office, to Miles Goldberg at the spy network headquarters in Chicago. The report read in part:

"'McWilliams was having some trouble with the Hackle Press who were demanding their money. I instructed our man (Avedis Derounian, alias John Carlson) to sell Mc-Williams on the idea of getting his

printing done by Pete Stahrenberg. Stahrenberg is definitely tied up with the German-American Bund and it would be a much stronger link in showing the connection between McWilliams and the Bund. McWilliams fell for it . . . '"

In other words, the Gestapo had ITS MAN, on the inside of Mr. McWilliams' organization, setting traps for him. Both McWilliams and Stahrenberg were indicted three years later on the charge of sedition.

THEIR MAN, John Roy Carlson, later published the book "Under Cover," aptly called the "smearer's bible," a compilation of lies from beginning to endwhich Walter Winchell publicized into a best seller over the radio. And thus, the American people were duped by the Gestapo!

Carlson is currently touring the Country, speaking under B'nai B'rith auspices, attacking Christian patriots. His most recent appearance was in Akron, Ohio . . . where the city police refused to give protection when Communists and Jews tried to break up Gospel services held by the Editor of THE DEFENDER.

MR. KAMP tells in his "Open Letter To Congress" how he recently gave testimony before the House Committee On Campaign Expenditures. He says:

"During my testimony, when I first mentioned the un-American Gestapo, I was asked what it was. I explained it was a network of spy and smear organizations; that its central unit was the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith and that its principal sections were:

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## "And The Napkin"

Sermon Of The Month

Dr. R. S. Beal ... First Baptist Church ... Tuscon, Arizona

"THEN COMETH Simon Peter following him, and went into the sepulchre, and seeth the linen clothes lie. And the napkin, that was about his head, not lying with the linen clothes, but wrapped together in α place by itself." (John 20:6-7).

The three words which form my subject may seem incidental, but I believe that a careful examination of the circumstances involved will reveal some striking testimony relative to the resurrection of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

In this message I want to lead you from the Cross, the place of a skull, to the open tomb where the body of our Lord had been laid and from which it rose in glory.

As we behold the scenes which took place "outside the camp" where Jesus hung a dying Victim upon the Cross, we will be compelled to say with the Centurian, "Truly this was the Son of God."

No death has ever been witnessed like the death of our Lord. When He died the temple veil was torn from top to bottom, the rocks were rent asunder and graves were flung wide open.

During His agony the sun hid its face so that midnight darkness ensued. The various utterances from the Cross had been heard, and finally the Savior yielded up His spirit. He had died, and now disposition must be made of that sacred body. Two men came to claim the body, namely, Joseph and Nicodemus both numbered among his friends.

The body was not taken to the home of either of these men nor to a public morque. It was buried soon after being taken from the Cross and all that was done in relation to it was in strict accordance with the law. In the moments preceding the burial the body was properly prepared. After the manner of the Jews, it was wound around with linen. Spices and ointment were mingled with the linen for the purpose of retarding decomposition. The Greeks cremated the body and the Egyptians embalmed it but the Jews did only as I have indicated.



Dr. Beal

Hints of the Jewish method of burial are seen in various portions of the New Testament. Referring to the death of Ananias we read, "And the young men arose, wound him up, and carried him out, and buried him." (Acts 5:6).

"Then said Jesus, Let her alone: against the day of my burying hath she kept this." (John 12:7).

Mary had anointed Him with "a pound of ointment of spikenard, very costly." One of the disciples had complained and the Lord answered him by telling of her faith, and mentioning a custom in connection with burial. We read of the same custom in connection with the visit of the women to the tomb, "Now upon the first day of the week, very early in the morning, they came unto the sepulchre, bringing the spices which they had prepared, and certain others

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with them." (Luke 24:1). In John 19:39 we learn that there was brought about one hundred pounds of spices for use if necessary.

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It was the custom of the closest relative to close the eyes of the deceased and also to shut the mouth and tie a napkin around the head to hold the jaws in place. A napkin had been placed around the head of Jesus. After this He was taken for burial on a long board or litter and then placed on a stone ledge in the tomb. In the case of Jesus, the tomb was securely fastened and a watch placed in front of it.

His enemies were determined that He should not be disturbed and that the predictions which He had made of His resurrection should prove to be false.

At the beginning of the chapter wherein my text is found we read of the visit of Mary Magdalene to the sepulchre, having come very early when it was yet dark. Seeing that the stone was rolled away, she hurried to inform Peter and John. Immediately these two disciples went to the tomb to see if what had been reported was true. They should have borne witness that it was true without having to go to the tomb.

It would have been a fine demonstration of their faith in the Word of their Savior, if they had refused to go to the tomb but had gone in the opposite direction to announce the glad tidings. Evidently John outran Peter but when he got to the tomb he hesitated to enter. When Peter got there he walked in without a moment's hesitation. Entering he saw the linen in which the body of Jesus had been wrapped, and ALSO THE NEATLY FOLDED NAPKIN BUT THE LORD WAS GONE.

Emboldened by Peter's action, John entered the tomb and when he saw the situation, he believed. It didn't take him long to realize that something marvelous had taken place. That great stone had been rolled away, not to let that out, but to let in the rest of us, that we might see and believe. There are many interesting details about this story, all of which are worthy of careful attention, but I want us to fix our at-

While it is a little thing, yet it is full of meaning and wonderfully significant, as are all the little things of God. "Why should this detail be added to the story?" asks Dr. R. A. Torrey. As we contemplate it, we shall discover that it bears mute but glowing testimony to the life, death and resurrection of the Lord Iesus Christ.

As we think of this little napkin, may I point out that

#### IT BEARS TESTIMONY THAT JESUS DIED.

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ONLY DEAD PEOPLE were bound with grave clothes. I believe from all the circumstances surrounding the preparation of the body of Jesus for burial, that those who handled Him must have been convinced of the reality of His death. Satan would like to have men believe that something else happened than the reality of death, perhaps a deep faint. This would be for the purpose of disproving the revelation that He actually rose from the dead.

But does it make any difference whether or not Jesus died? Why magnify the death of a person?

I once heard a man say that he was more concerned about the beautiful life of Jesus, than with the gory sights which clustered about His death. So far as this man was concerned, that part of the Bible story might be omitted. We must remember our salvation begins at the Cross and not at the cradle in Bethlehem. The hope of forgiveness for any soul stems out of the fact that He actually died. God could not be satisfied with anything less than the actual death of Jesus as a payment for the sins of men. The death of Jesus was not an illusion nor a delusion.

Jesus died according to the Scriptures. This is the constant emphasis of the Word of God. There was no trance about it. He died just as the Bible declares. He died according to the will of God. It could not have been otherwise. He died that God might remain just, and

at the same time justify the ungodly. His death was a marvelous demonstration of the love of God for a poor, perishing world.

Let us never get away from the truth that Jesus died according to the needs of men. Nothing less than His death could avail for sinners. The example of His life was beyond us. None of us could possibly measure up to it. The only way to meet the just wrath of God toward wicked men was to meet it Himself, and this He did.

"For when we were yet without strength, in due time Christ died for the ungodly." (Romans 5:6). Then in Romans 5:8, read how "Christ died for us." He bare our sins in His own body on the tree. Jesus died as a sinner: He died between sinners and was buried as a sinner. The napkin of which we are studying was a grave cloth. It was a thing that belonged to the grave and to death, and it bears striking testimony that He died for us.

Further consideration of this bit of cloth is to note that

#### IT BEARS TESTIMONY THAT JESUS HIMSELF HAD COME TO LIFE.

WE READ in the seventh verse of the twentieth chapter of John, how the napkin was "wrapped together in α place by itself."

I do not believe this would have been done if the body of Jesus had been stolen as some might claim. There would have been no time for this arrangement. The Lord Himself folded that napkin. It was the work of His own hands as He had come back to life. It was folded neatly and in a place by itself. Was not this characteristic of Jesus?

Our Lord was never in a hurry. He didn't have to be! All of time belonged to Him as well as eternity. After word had come to Him that Lazarus was nigh unto death, He did not rush over to the place of His sick friend. He tarried two whole days before going.

On the way to heal a man's daughter

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who was in a desperate condition, He stopped to deal with a women who had touched the hem of His garment. So on this momentous occasion, His blessed traits are wonderfully in evidence. Just as He was always calm under all conditions, even in the hour of His death, we find Him so in the glory and might of resurrection.

In His earthly ministry the Lord Jesus was always orderly. I do not believe He was ever untidy and careless. When it was time to feed the five thousand men, besides women and children, they were not seated as a confused mass of people. He directed them to be seated in companies.

When He sent forth His disciples, He carefully commanded and instructed them. All was done with deliberation and discrimination. This napkin was not thrown to one side as if it were merely incidental; but according to His nature and the custom of His life, the tomb that He was about to leave, was left in

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orderly fashion. Is it any wonder then that John saw and believed? How could it have been otherwise?

As I contemplate further all that is suggested by the folded napkin I find that

#### IT BEARS TESTIMONY THAT JESUS' RESURRECTION WAS PHYSICAL.

AM SURE that actual physical hands folded that napkin. They were the very hands which only a short time before had been cruelly pierced with spikes to hold them firmly to the accursed Cross. The grave clothes were left like a chrysalis. Jesus slipped out of them with the greatest ease because His resurrection body could not be bound by natural law.

We have every reason to believe that our blessed Savior rose physically as well as spiritually from the dead. Modernism rejects this truth. Many a modernist declares that our Lord did not rise out of that tomb in a literal sense, but the Bible says He did.

In spite of the fact that so many feel the Old Testament does not teach the truth of resurrection, one of the most glorious of the Messianic Psalms so declares, because we read in Psalms 16:10, "For thou wilt not leave my soul in hell; neither wilt thou suffer thine holy one to see corruption." The latter portion of this text is a direct prophecy of His physical resurrection.

Jesus clearly taught that He would rise

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physically for we read of it in John 2:18-22, "Then answered the Jews and said unto him, What sign showest thou unto us, seeing that thou doest these things? Jesus answered and said unto them, Destroy this temple, and in three days, I will raise it up. Then said the Jews, Forty and six years was this temple in building, and wilt thou rear it up in three days? But he spake of the temple of his body. When therefore he was risen from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this unto them; and they believed the Scripture, and the word which Jesus had said."

The Jews never forgot these words, and it accounts for the fact that the tomb was sealed so tightly and a guard was placed before it.

Our Master gave a personal demonstration of His physical resurrection when He challenged His disciples to handle Him and see that it was He, himself, who stood before them. He drew attention to His hands and feet for these were what they had seen nailed to the Cross. In so doing He was showing conclusively that He was not a disembodied

On one occasion He ate broiled fish and honeycomb with them before which incident all merely spiritual concepts of His resurrection, must flee. Jesus rose from the dead and from the tomb. "O grave, where is thy victory?" What comfort it is to our hearts to know that the grave is not all-powerful!

We are not yet through with this bit of cloth because

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THE BOOK OF ROMANS opens with the declaration that Jesus is "declared to be the Son of God with power, according to the spirit of holiness, by the resurrection from the dead." (Romans 1:4). We see Him the Son of God with

I memorized this morning that beautiful statement as found in Psalms 62:11, "God hath spoken once: twice have I heard this; that power belongeth unto God." It takes nothing short of the power of God to cope with the power of death and the grave.

When Lazarus came forth from the grave at the command of the Lord, he was alive, but bound. Jesus had to order that he be released from his grave clothes. But it was not so with the risen Christ. No power on earth or among men could hold against the power of heaven. He was not to be held by the

The empty tomb of Jesus containing the elements of the old life, shows that One had come into the world who was stronger than death. Praise God there was a Man who could empty a grave when men had filled it!

If you lay imprisoned in some great fortress, and one who loved you went forth to try to rescue you, but fell and died fighting, you would cherish the memory of your friend's valiant effort on your behalf but you would still remain in chains and undelivered. So would it have been with those whom Christ came to save if He had not risen -those for whom He gave His life would have been undelivered. But Christ has conquered death and holds in His hands the keys of the grave.

Again let us remember as we study the folded napkin that

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Here is an event which is the turning point in the history of the world.

As I have thought of His resurrection I have asked myself the question many times . . . How can one account for the transformed lives of men and women aside from the resurrection of our Lord? Then further . . . How is any one to account for the existence and continuance of the Church apart from it? How are we going to explain the preservation of the Bible apart from it? And how can we account for the continued upholding of Sunday observance aside from the power of a living Christ?

Whence came this day and who started it? The answer is found in the fact that it is the memorial of a new creation. It did not originate with the declaration of a man but with the allpowerful resurrection of the Son of God. Sunday became our day of worship the moment He came forth from the grave. The empty grave was the beginning of Christian faith and hope. It is the foundation stone of the Church.

I want to say to you this morning that the resurrection of the Savior is not only a mighty historical fact, but it is a fact of supreme necessity. It completes the work of Calvary.

His death provides redemption. His resurrection provides regeneration. It provides for all believers a great high priest in heaven for us. It opens to us the door of immortality. Oh, my soul rejoices in this knowledge and in all

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that it means to my own personal experience.

The disciples preached the resurrection with power. They knew what it meant. They knew its value not only in history but also in their own lives and in the lives of all who embraced their

"And the multitude of them that believed were of one heart and of one soul: neither said any of them that aught of the things which he possessed was his own; but they had all things common. And with great power gave the apostles witness of the resurrection of the Lord Jesus: and great grace was upon them all." (Acts 4:32-33).

#### REMARKS of Honorable James O. Eastland, United States Senator from Mississippi:

"For several years I have seen the storm clouds gathering. I have seen conditions become darker and more threatening. I have seen these organizations become more powerful, more demanding. I have seen both political parties become more servile, until today they are merely errand boys of organized racial and religious minority groups. We see today the rights, the basic and fundamental liberties of a free people, bartered away in order to secure votes for politicians to capture or retain public office.

"As the crowning effort of radicals to put over their anti-Southern legislation, the President's so-called Committee on Civil Rights issued a report which has become the bible of the radical movement in the United States. .. The crux of the Committee's report is the total elimination from American life of segregation. based on race, color, creed, or national origin. This was the Committee's fundamental recommendation.

The tactics used against us are succeeding. The South's back is to the wall. We may defeat our enemies this year and next year, but as long as the

## **Symposium** Civil Rights Proposal

THIS ARTICLE contains opinions of several distinguished Americans regarding the so-called "Civil Rights" program, which is presently being engineered on a national scale, by the Communist underground and the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith.

The Defenders' organization has no political interest in these proposals. The plan originated at Detroit, Michigan . . . in April 1946, during the course of an alleged "Civil Rights Congress" promoted by the Communist Party. The delegates, present from all parts of the United States, included many of the Country's principal Red leaders.

Attempts are now being made to make the proposals appear respectable ... but the fact remains that they were dictated from Moscow. Left-wingers of the most radical type, served on the committees that produced the master plan.

During the interim between the Detroit meeting and the introduction of the proposals before Congress, the city of Denver was chosen as a testing-ground. The program provided for the liquidation of

"Fundamental Christianity" in the Rocky Mountain area. Fundamentalists are, of course, believers who exalt the person and deity of the Lord Jesus Christ.

The Defenders' organization knows that there are elements that would like to use such a plan as a means for curtailing distribution of the New Testament, on the grounds that it is an anti-Semitic book. These facts place the Civil Rights controversy in the religious realm. For this reason, the Defenders' Movement is definitely concerned regarding the mat-

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present course is pursued the end is inevitable. I am absolutely certain that the South is drifting to her destruction. ... Our people must act and act quickly for our protection."

REMARKS of Honorable John C. Stennis, United States Senator from Mississippi:

"I am already convinced that, if permitted, these pressure groups will soon undermine and actually destroy the Constitution of the United States, bit by bit and line by line. This plan is in progress now, but it is without the knowledge or the consent of the American peo-

"In the name of so-called Civil Rights, these pressure groups seek to destroy the Bill of Rights. They seek to gradually liquidate and totally blot out the great American principle of local self-government.

"Lack of consideration for States' rights and the organized efforts of pressure groups, have washed upon our shores a so-called and misnamed Civil Rights program that is already well on the way toward sowing seeds of strife and ill will that will afflict our people for many years to come.

"I am convinced that it is a well-organized and well-directed CONSPIRACY, not merely against the South but against the people of the entire Nation. These proposals should be stripped of their lamb's clothing, and their true purposes and nature should thus be exposed.

"I believe they constitute a well-laid and far-reaching scheme to break down, bit by bit, the great, fundamental concepts of constitutional law that recognize, and once protected, the rights of the 48 States and the rights of the people.

"Many people have been led to believe that these misnamed Civil Rights bills represent a question solely of right and wrong, and that the South is on the wrong side. It is partly, but not altogether, the fault of the South that our side has not been fully and effectively told, but before the fight on these bills is over our side will be told, and the people of the Nation will realize that this is not

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REMARKS of Honorable Fielding Wright, Governor of Mississippi:

"There is a campaign of abuse and misrepresentation being levelled against our Country by those who seek to tear down and disrupt our institutions and our way of life. They are using as their tools such infamous proposals as FEPC. anti-lynching legislation, anti-poll tax bills, and now the anti-segregation prosinson

"The charge of dereliction of duty could be hurled at me by the citizens of this State, were I to fail to direct your thoughts to the vicious effect of the proposals of the Committee appointed by the President of the United States to study and make recommendations under the guise of preservation of civil liberties. Those of you who read and studied the report recognize in it a further, and I might say, the most dangerous step, towards the destruction of those traditions and customs so vital to our way of life, particularly in our Southland.

"These measures, and the proposals of this Committee are deliberately aimed to wreck the South and our institutions. But they are far more sinister than being mere pieces of anti-Southern legislation recommendations, for, hidden under

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"The time has come for the militant people of the South and the Nation, who have never shirked any patriotic responsibility, to band together for the preservation of true Americanism.

"We possess the desire and courage to do those things we feel to be right, and we ask God to give us the wisdom to reach the decisions that will best serve our people and His kingdom."

REMARKS of Honorable John Bell Williams, Representative from Mississippi:

"Mr. Speaker, in my opinion, the most dangerous current threat to our demo-

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"Chief among these are radical Communist and off-color mongrel organizations which, conceived in hate, whelped in treason and deceit, and nurtured on the breast of Communism, are attempting to bring about the moral disintegration of this great Country.

"In his Civil Rights message to this Congress, the President of the United States lent aid and comfort to these enemies of the American way of life.

"This infamous message, with its accompanying preposterous recommendations, constitutes the most flagrant attack ever perpetrated by any President in the history of our Country upon the American Constitution.

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"President Truman knows that if these outrageous recommendations were adopted and became law, that they would eventually destroy not only our democratic form of government and our democratic way of life, but would also destroy our very civilization.

"Mr. Speaker, who are these groups who would destroy our way of living? Let me name a few.

"There is the NAACP, which has been labeled by the House Committee on Un-American Activities as 'Communist infiltrated.' There is the National Negro Congress, the Civil Rights Congress, FRIENDS OF DEMOCRACY, INC., the infamous Southern Conference for Human Welfare, the Political Action Committee of the CIO, the Anti-lynching League, the Committee for the Abolition of the Poll Tax, and so on, ad infinitum.

"ALL OF THESE ARE EITHER ACTUAL COMMUNIST FRONTS OR HAVE BECOME INFILTRATED WITH COMMUNISTS.

"It should be noted, Mr. Speaker, that every organization so far cited by the House Committee on Un-American Activities as a Communist front or as being infiltrated with Communists, places foremost among its aims the same kind of program that is now being recommended by the President of the United

(At this point, Mr. Williams was interrupted by Congressman Abernethy.)

MR. ABERNETHY. "Does not the gentleman rather suspect that that report (report of Truman's Civil Rights Committee) was written before the Committee was ever appointed?"

MR. WILLIAMS, "I have heard rumors that the report was not even written by the committee, but was written by a gentleman in New York.

'Mr. Speaker, I am getting sick and tired of having such enemies of our democratic way of life dictating the policies of the American Government. and I promise this Congress that it will live to see the day when it will wish that it had never heard of the Southern Conference of Human Welfare, the Civil Rights Congress, and the rest of these Communistic barnacles which have attached themselves to our Democratic ship of state."

#### REMARKS of Honorable John E. Rankin, Representative from Mississippi:

The President of the United States, under some pressure we do not understand, is trying to ram the platform of the Communist Party down the people of the United States.

"If we are going to approve the report of the President's so-called Civil Rights Commission, then we had just as well join the Communist Party and be done with it.

"FEPC is the chief plank in the Communist platform. It is the most dangerous piece of Communistic legislation with which this Country has ever been threatened in all its history.

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"If every individual in the United States could understand just what it means, there would be such a roar of protest coming from every State in this Union, that it would never see the light of day.

"To sanctify this organization by law would mean being sold into bondage, herded, humiliated, and regimented by alien influences directed by a foreign Comintern representing the deadly doctrine of Karl Marx that is based upon hatred for Christianity and for everything that is based on Christian prin-

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thousands of Christian Churches in Europe and been responsible for the murder of untold millions of Christian human beings."

#### REMARKS of Mr. Donald R. Richberg, Attorney of Washington, D. C .:

"Communists and their dupes complain that a 'hysteria' of anti-Communism is causing the suppression of Civil Rights in the United States. So now they are diligently fomenting a counterhysteria for expanding Civil Rights until the basic rights of life, liberty, and property will be completely lost in a maze of petty rights and duties and regulations which only a communistic dictatorship could possibly enforce.

"The horrible and outstanding example of this Civil Rights hysteria is the recent report of the President's Committee on Civil Rights, which is probably the most mischievous document that has been published since Marx and Engels produced the Communist Manifesto 100 years ago.

"How can a government official be

endowed with the celestial wisdom necessary to determine whether that which is called prejudice and intolerance is really evil, or is righteous dislike or hatred?"

#### REMARKS of Mr. Mark Foote, Newspaper Columnist of Michigan:

"Is it wrong or right for a deeply religious person to prefer not to associate with those who would like to destroy his religion? Is it wrong or right for a free individualist to object to enforced association with a fanatic Communist, who works to enslave him?

"Donald Richberg says if the FEPC law were passed, the management of a religious publication (for profit) would be forbidden to discriminate against atheists or hostile religionists, who might be qualified but certainly not co-operative employees."

#### REMARKS of Honorable Clare E. Hoffman, Representative from Michigan:

"President Truman's so-called Civil Rights program demands that the Congress pass anti-poll-tax, anti-lynching, and FEPC legislation.

"The FEPC - the fair employment practices bill — is a political measure. It is also an attempt to do away with the right of an individual to express his preference in the selection of his employees, companions, associates.

"I have never advocated discrimination because of race, creed, or color, I believe that everyone, regardless of race, creed, or color, should have equality of opportunity. As a corollary of that proposition, I believe that every individual, so long as he does not interfere with the right of another, should have the right, when engaged in his own business or in the pursuit of happiness, to follow his own preferences, regardless of race, creed, or color.

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"History teaches us that we cannot, by law or force, control thought or ideology. Education and Christianity, if practiced as taught, will, quicker than will law, end whatever discrimination now exists."

#### EDITORIAL submitted by Honorable Frank W. Boykin, Representative from Alabama:

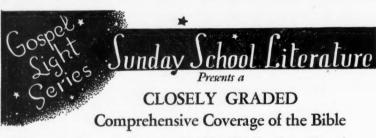
"Not only Southerners, but all Americans, of any race, have reason to be dismayed by the recent Report of the President's Committee on Civil Rights.

"The goal as set by the President's Committee would be a direct assault on the American way of life. It would mean bureaucratic interference, enforced by Federal authorities in the personal and private affairs of every individual, business establishment, and institution.

There is an unalterable conclusion that the forces behind this recommendation seek enactment of a Federal law which would be enforced AGAINST ALL CHURCHES, private schools, private hospitals, and at least to physicians and surgeons, if not to other professional people.

"Under the proposal, States which do not fall in line with this impractical, ridiculous, and dangerous mandate would be deprived of Federal aid funds for education, health, housing, and other public services.

"This is one of the most dangerous proposals ever made by any group with official standing. It would provide the perfect excuse for a snooping Federal agency interfering with the legitimate Civil Rights of free Americans . . . The proposal contains germs of disease far more deadly than those which the Committee seeks to cure."



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## IS COMMUNISM THE ENEMY OF CHRISTIANITY?

Dr. Lawrence Reilly . . . Lutheran Research Society . . . Detroit

THE QUESTION which heads this article hardly seems to require an answer.

Yet all of us probably heard the statement during the war that the attitude of the Communist had changed regarding religion, that the Kremlin no longer maintained a loving attitude toward atheism, and was coming to view religion with tolerance.

Just recently the president of a great Protestant body in the United States, returned from a short visit to Russia and announced that religious liberty exists

there, and that the government does not persecute religion.

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Only a few months ago a group of leftist Protestant preachers went to Yugoslavia to check on religious freedom in that country. Since I knew the activities of at least one of this group, and that he was a member of the Communist Party in the United States, it did not come as a surprise that these men returned reporting nopersecution of religion in that nation dominated by Tito - a Communist puppet dictator.

Still it is a fact that hundreds of Yugoslav Christian leaders, as well as others, have been murdered in cold blood or given prison sentences at hard labor.

It is a mistaken idea, resulting from false propaganda, that the Communist attitude has changed, that Soviet leaders no longer are hostile toward Christianity.

#### Communism Always Atheistic

Communism, in the sense that we under-

stand the word today, was anti-religious when it began to function in Russia. The Communists were in the minority in Russia when they took over by force and bloodshed, about thirty years ago. They were able to do this because professed Christian people were fast asleep. May we take this historical experience as a warning for our day!

Communism has been opposed to religion all through its history. The main reason why the Marxists oppose Christianity is not so much because the old church in Russia was corrupt, but rather that religion prevents them from realiz-

ing their economic and political aims.

True Christianity instills into the hearts of those born again in the blood of Jesus Christ, the idea of getting along with people. It enables them to bear hardships with the help of the Holy Spirit, and promises eternal life because of Christ's merits.

True Christians do not make good revolutionaries or good Communists. The Communist wants everyone to be dissatisfied with his position in life. He plants in the mind of the employer, suspicion for the employee. Communism

thrives on hate and deception. It prospers when it produces discord.

Communists m u s t therefore do away with all religion, if they wish to control people in sufficient numbers to enforce their slavery, upon the masses. That is why they always try to undermine religion, and why they will always continue to do so.

#### Reds Slaughter Christians

When they gain the upper hand in a country, and think the rest of the world cannot see what is being done behind an "iron curtain," they slaughter Christian preachers, teachers and laymen. This is not a review of events in the dark ages. This is not something from the history of Nero in the first century. This murder of Christians is going on at the very hour when you are reading these words. It is very simple to document these statements with facts and instances.

Sometimes the "party line" changes, to suit certain conditions.



This cartoon, circulated on orders from Moscow, satirizes the miracle at Cana, where our Lord changed water into wine. The following statement in Russian script appears beneath the drawing, "The very first and wickedest moonshiner is named Jesus Christ." Jewish objection to pork inspired the presence of a pig, with the other food, on the table.

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Thus it happened, during the early part of World War II, when Russia needed lend-lease from the United States, that the Communist Party made an appearance of reviving religion in the Soviet Union.

Persecution of religion goes on today, as in the past.

Just last year Stalin's government issued a special brochure to Communist young people in the form of Ten Red Commandments, strengthening the forces of atheism and helping to nullify religion in the minds of the young.

#### Communists Hate Religion

This year of 1948 marks the centennial celebration of the writing of the Communist Manifesto by Karl Marx and Frederick Engels. In 1848 these Socialists wrote the Communist Manifesto as a blueprint to bring about world revolution.

They stated that within a hundred years, world Communism would be so widespread that it could easily be said that the entire earth had embraced its program. They have never been nearer to the realization of their dreams, than at this moment. The reds now have control of much of the world. Their poison has infiltrated the thinking of uncounted multitudes.

The Communist Manifesto is the bible of all Communists everywhere in the world. On page 29, it states:

"Communism abolishes eternal truths, it abolishes all religion, and all morality."

Nicolai Lenin, the man who put Marxism into practice in Russia, and whose mummy is enclosed in a glass coffin on Red Square at Moscow, wrote a book giving the party line on the subject of religion. On page 5 of this book, he writes:

"Atheism is an integral part of Marxism. Consequently, a class-conscious



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Marxist Party must carry on propaganda in favor of atheism."

On page 14 of this same book, "Religion," Lenin writes: "We must combat religion. This is the A.B.C. of all materialism, and consequently of Marxism. Hence, down with religion. Long live atheism! The dissemination of atheist views is our chief task."

Think of that! The man who put Communism into practice in Russia and who is the great authority on practical Marxism, says that the dissemination of atheist views is the CHIEF TASK!

Again we quote this apostle of Marxism, Nicolai Lenin: "Religion must be abolished. The best country is a godless country. If religion will pass out quietly, our attitude will be one of benevolent tolerance. But if it resists, we will hasten its exit by violence proportionate to its resistance."

(Congressional Record, Volume 77, pages 1539,1540)

#### Stalin Suppresses Clergy

Dictator Joseph Stalin is quoted in the Communist "Worker's Voice" published in Chicago as saying:

"The Party cannot be neutral towards religion and does conduct anti-religious propaganda against all and every religious prejudice. Have we suppressed the reactionary clergy? Yes, we have. The unfortunate thing is that it has not been completely liquidated."

A brief paragraph from an official United States Government Réport, Number 2290, reads on page 52, as follows:

"The Communist Party and Soviet government have done everything in their power since 1917 to mock, destroy and outlaw religion. Churches have been pulled down, or turned into clubs; religious shrines despoiled, burial grounds desecrated; and the clergy persecuted and slain. The denial of religious liberty and the wiping out of all religions are an important part of the Communist program."

Now let me call your attention to another statement from Communist sources to help us answer our question. This is from "The A.B.C. of Communism," by Bucharin and Preobraschensky. It is short, so note the contents carefully:

"Religion and Communism are incompatible both theoretically and practically."

Here we have Communists telling us that it is no use . . . Communism and religion are incompatible in every way. With this we agree! We wish that the false teachers and preachers in Church who say otherwise would also agree.

#### **Red Torture In Spain**

During the Spanish Civil War of 1936 the world witnessed an attempt of Communists, politely known as the Loyalists and in whose defense such books and movies as "For Whom the Bell Tolls" were prepared, to seize power in Spain.



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Captain Antonius Raab wrote a story showing how prisoners were driven insane and murdered by the Communists, how Russian controlled jailors put captives into "death crates:" Captain Raab was an international manufacturer and a famous world war aviator. Here is part of his story:

"This is the story of Russia's seizure of the Spanish Government and the reign of terror that followed it up to Barcelona's fall. I believe no other living person could tell it in detail. Those most familiar with the general outline of the frightful narrative are insane or dead.

"The Russians threw 300,000 Spanish people into jail and 10,000 foreigners whom they accused as spies. And in February, 1937, I was arrested as a spy and flung into prison. In the seventeen months that followed, I was dragged out of one prison and dumped into another so often, that I am not sure of the number.

"The Russian officers broke the crypts open, emptied the coffins on the floor, searched the garments of the dead for gold and precious stones. Almost all the bodies long ago had mummified and they were scattered about the floor of the crypt, amid the smashed coffins.

"Now what happened to Kuhn (a fellow prisoner) must have happened to many others. But Kuhn's case I know by my own senses. He was called before the board to confess himself a spy. Kuhn could not confess, no more than I could. They beat me with a rubber club until my right leg and side were paralyzed for days. But Kuhn, this is what they did to him:

"They went into the crypt and dragged out the body of a dead nun, a body that had reposed there for many long years and it was quite mummified. They disrobed it and carried it to his box.

"They tied the naked corpse of the nun to him, his face to her face. They tied his hands around with wires and left the living and the dead together. But not for long were they living and dead. It was the dead and the dead, for no man could survive such a final fiendish act as was inflicted on Kuhn... and he must have been glad to die."

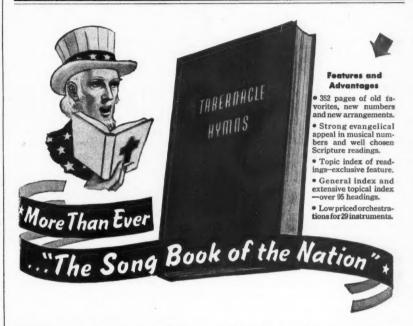
This is a ghastly story, but it is not an unusual one where the reds have been allowed to march freely upon a country.

Pictures of those days are forgotten, but full pages of photographs in the files of the Lutheran Research Society, titled under such headings as "Nothing Sacred" and others, indicate in a graphic way the manner in which Communists "tolerate" religion.

May God save America from such an experience!

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May God preserve the Church from having pictures hanging in its sacred portals such as the one illustrated with this article. May God awaken the people in this eleventh hour so that repentance, prayer, and Christian action may save western civilization from the fate of other countries.



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## Reporting from Washington

REPRESENTATIVE GEORGE BENDER of Ohio, delivered a speech on the floor of the House a few days ago, that resembled a sermon:

"We need today a religious reawak ening," he declared. "We need a reassertion of the religious yearnings we have noted in history. The spirit of men like Abraham Lincoln, who drew his inspiration from the Bible, the courage of women like Joan of Arc, who drew her strength from religious zeal, can rebuild our world and lead us bravely into the atomic age.

"Nothing less will fortify us, for the world of the future. We must be prepared, not only to die for the principles of humanity we cherish. We must also prepare to live for them, and by them. If we do, we shall create a braver, better world for our children. Only the wisdom of the ages, expressed in religious idealism, can point the way. If we are to survive, we must walk in their paths and let Him teach us His way."

Mr. Bender quoted Gilbert K. Chesterson as having said: "Christianity has not been tried, and found wanting. It has been found difficult, and not tried."

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THE RELIGIOUS FUTURE of our Country was materially effected by the recent Supreme Court decision, outlawing religious education classes in the American public school system. Heretofore, thousands of schools, reaching into every State of the Union, have permitted such training by voluntary arrangement.

Champaign, Illinois is an example:

Thirty-minute classes have been held each week, for five years, on "released time." Instructors were provided for Protestant, Catholic and Jewish students. A local Council of Religious Education and the Champaign school board supervised the undertaking. No pupil was permitted to attend without written parental consent. Outside instructors not the regular school faculties, conducted the classes.

The atheistic mother of a Champaign pupil, protested. She finally took the matter to the United States Supreme Court. On November 12, 1947 two Jewish organizations, the Synagogue Council of America and the National Community Relations Advisory Council, asked the Supreme Court to rule unconstitutional the program of religious education adopted on a voluntary basis in the Champaign, Illinois schools. The Synagogue Council stated that "practically all American Jewish organizations, religious and lay" joined with them in protesting to the high court.

Meanwhile Leo Pfeffer, assistant di-

Write a letter immediately, ordering Joseph Kamp's report to Congress on the Underground spy network existing in America. See page 4.

rector of the Commission on Law and Social Action of the powerful American Jewish Congress, called for outlawing religious education in all public schools throughout America. On March 8th the Supreme Court decreed that henceforth such instruction shall be illegal. John L. Franklin, attorney for the Champaign school board, says: "I do not believe that this decision will live in our law."

Rev. A. R. Cartlidge, chairman of the local committee which set up the religious program in the schools of the city, says: "This seems to commit the United States to a definite irreligious attitude."

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Intelligent appraisal of the decision, recognizes the principle of Church and State separation, to be involved. But critical analysis suggests that the language of the opinion is too general . . . and that it takes in too much territory. Morally, the decision must be regarded as a triumph for the forces of atheism and Communism.

Negative, destructionist, anti-Christ groups, can now go into court and demand that everything inconsistent with their perverted doctrines, be eliminated. This could conceivably include Church architecture, sacred music, the history of religious movements and references to the Word of God.

The question now arises: If Christianity is to be outlawed from American class rooms . . . what about atheism? What about such textbooks, as those by Professor Rugg, circulated into the millions of copies, which openly expound the Marxist philosophy? Atheism is the religion of Marxism. What about the improved theory of evolution, which is clearly atheistic?

Perhaps Emerson's proverb applies here: "Whoever builds a fence always fences out more than he fences in."

A LMOST every Congressman's mail is these days loaded with demands from the hinterland, that the Government take immediate steps to liquidate the Communist menace at home, while opposing it abroad.

Repercussions reaching the Capital by way of the mailbox, show that this attitude is rapidly developing into A NA-

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TIONAL TREND. Representative Clare Hoffman insisted that his recent speech on the subject, was only a repetition of sentiments expressed by voters, in recent letters. He said:

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"Spending billions to fight Communism abroad, while nursing it here at home, does not make sense.

"Spending billions to create opposition to Communism in Europe, giving other billions in dollars and material to Communistic-dominated countries in Europe, which aid Communism, patting Communists on the back here at home, is ridiculous."

UNLESS SOMETHING is done to bring the broadcasts of "Radio America" to conform to the American viewpoint, they will soon become a laughing stock among all nations. This is the opinion of many on Capitol Hill.

The programs, beamed to the world from New York, at a daily cost to American tax-payers of \$76,000, are failing to produce desired results. The speakers seem to be ashamed of the Christian ideals and Rightist philosophy that have made our Country great. There is a tendency to dilute and disfigure everything, to fit the Leftist pattern.

Complaints are being heard that the scripts apologize for America, instead of PREACHING AMERICA!

On the eve of the Communist seizure of Czechoslovakia, the terrified citizens of that country heard a soothing broadcast from the "Voice of America," assuring them that "different ideologies can get along together in the world."

The House Appropriations Committee reported  $\alpha$  short time ago that the New York group, preparing the scripts, was

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dominated by a director who slanted the programs in favor of Communist theories. A survey demonstrates that the same news items are broadcast in different terms, to different countries. Russia is showed tender solicitude, to avoid hurting the feelings of her leaders.

To illustrate:

When General Eisenhower, made his final report to the President, he stated that Western Europe was "threatened by strangulation, by a militant political party whose obvious purpose is to promote chaos and insurrection for the advantage of an alien ideology."

But the "Voice of America" translated the passage in this manner: "According to General Eisenhower, without the recovery of Western Europe, America would find itself facing Eurasian despotism."

The State Department beams these broadcasts to 13 countries in Europe... to China, Korea, the Far East and South America. A New York staff translates them into the languages of the country to which they are beamed. If handled properly, the effort could be made a meritorious service to a world that needs the enlightenment America has to offer.

Instead of keeping a taboo upon the Christian religion, Gospel messages and sacred hymns should be broadcast daily—especially in the Russian language.

THANK GOD, the Senate still has one honest individualist."

This remark was heard in the cloakroom, following a recent address by Senator William Langer, castigating the inhuman proposals contained in the "Displaced Persons Act of 1948."

Excerpts:

"On August 1, 1945, there was signed in Berlin by Joseph V. Stalin, Harry Truman, and C. R. Attlee, a document, together with implementing decisions and commitments in which representatives

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of the United States Government participated, pursuant to which some 16,000,000 men, women and children in eastern Europe were forcefully dislodged from their homes; their property was confiscated and they were driven into the various zones of Germany and Austria. I speak, Mr. President, of the Potsdam agreement, and the implementing decisions of the International Control Council . . .

"In the negotiations, decisions, agreements and commitments they decided to adjust populations to geographical areas, instead of geographical areas to populations, even though the plan called for the mass expulsion of millions of innocent human beings.

"Pursuant to the agreement, Mr. President, some 16,000,000 persons, who were then living in countries that are now curiously enough behind what is now called the iron curtain, whose chief crime against humanity was that they had traces of German blood pulsing in their veins, were heartlessly assembled like cattle and dumped into Germany and Austria.

"It is estimated, Mr. President, that between 20 and 25 per cent of these persons perished in the process of expulsion from lack of food, shelter, or from maltreatment.

"That is what the United States Government agreed to, Mr. President; that is the unholy record of the United States Government. I am not talking about the Mongolian invasion. I am talking about Americans and what their Government is thinking in the Twentieth Century . . .

"I cannot imagine my voting for the bill as reported by the committee. I would rather cut the tongue out of my mouth than to vote 'yea' for such an infamous bill."

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world, to the rule of tyrants in the old world, were living in small groups called colonies, dotted along the Atlantic sea-

They wanted freedom to worship as they pleased. They wanted to live on a higher level than dumb brutes. They resented autocratic governments that made slaves of their subjects. They rejected the theory of the divine right of kings. They wanted a voice in the government themselves.

During the eighteenth century, punishment for alleged crimes against the allpowerful governments, was atrociously severe in all the countries of Europe. Governments were heartless. There was no trial by jury. The accusation of a king, or a government official, was sufficient to put a man to death. Many modes of torture were invented. The citizen was a slave of the state.

Then there was a tea party in Boston. The patriots were concerned with something far more serious than paying taxes on tea. They were determined to limit the powers of government. A new idea was born. A new contribution was made to the science of government. Henceforth in the new world the citizen would be the master, not the serf, of the gov-

Thomas Jefferson later stated the principle correctly when he said the government that governs least, governs best.

A convention was called in Philadelphia. The purpose was to write a Constitution to become the basis of orderly government in the new world. Sixtyeight delegates were chosen by the thirteen colonies. Some refused to attend. There was a conflict of ideas among the colonies. Hatreds had been transplanted from the other side of the ocean,

When the document was finally produced, only thirty-nine of the delegates were willing to fix their signatures. But the colonies later voted approval. It has since proved to be the greatest charter for human liberty ever devised by man. It has proved to be rigid enough, and flexible enough, to maintain order, safeguard liberty and bring greater blessing and prosperity to the American people than any other nation in the world, has ever enjoyed.

Ten amendments called the Bill of Rights were added a short time later. For the first time on this planet, a whole nation was granted freedom of the press, freedom of speech, freedom of worship, freedom of assembly, right of petition, trial by jury, sanctity of property, privacy of home, and protection against unlawful seizures by the government.

What more could a man ask!

A nation of free men was established. Men who could manage their lives as they wished. This is the opposite of the so-called "planned economy" . . . that tells the man he cannot worship, he cannot choose his job, he cannot own private property, and that even his children are property of the state.

Another important provision of the Constitution was that no other person, or even the government itself, could take from a man the fruit of his labors. This gave the individual citizen an incentive toward honest labor and constructive toil. Compare this with the countries dominated by Communist governments - where the state takes everything the

citizen produces, and hands him back whatever the bureaucrats wish him to fa

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The fifth article of the Bill of Rights says: "No person shall be deprived of life, liberty or property without due process of law; nor shall private property be taken for public use without just compensation."

This provision, dealing with life and property, is identical with two of the Ten Commandments: "Thou shalt not kill" and "Thou shalt not steal."

I repeat what I said a few minutes ago that human liberty is rooted in the moral law.

Thus the Constitution removed governmental restrictions and opened the way to unlimited opportunity. More than 45million Americans now carry life insurance policies. Over 50-million have personal saving accounts. More than 15-million families own their homes and

We have witnessed greater progress in every field - transportation, communication, education, manufacturing and invention, than could have otherwise been the case. Free enterprise. Individualism. Human liberty. Thanks to the Constitution of the United States!

A system of government that has made all this possible, giving this part of the world the highest living standards ever known, opening the way for progress surpassing anything previously dreamed or imagined, granting more liberty to her people than any other nation -SUCH A SYSTEM IS WORTH SAV-ING. It must be saved.

Henry Clay once said: "The Constitution of the United States was not merely for the generation that then existed. but for posterity, unlimited, undefined, endless, perpetual posterity.

George Washington presided at the sessions in Philadelphia when the Constitution was being drafted. On the back of his chair there was a painting of the Sun, just appearing above the horizon.

There were many weeks of discussion and debate. Sometimes it looked like the convention might break up and the effort result in failure. But finally the immortal document was finished and made ready for the signatures. It was then that the venerable Benjamin Franklin, in his eighty-third year, said these words:

I have looked at that painting again and again. I have wondered whether it was the rising or a setting Sun. But now I know it is a rising Sun."

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## A Radio Message

By Upton Close ... Veteran Radio Commentator

Editor's Note: The program reproduced below ... and heard on a regular weekly Upton Close broadcast ... was given as a round table discussion in which three former students of the distinguished Commentator participated.

CLOSE: Good evening, fellow Americans of all our American free Republics. This is Upton Close. Because I have some of my old students with me tonight, and I want to give them a chance at a class-room discussion with their old professor, I'm dispensing with our announcer. But I want all of you who hear this to write to me, at Ten Ten Vermont Avenue, Washington 5, D. C.—for a free copy of this broadcast and a free copy of my newsletter, Closer-Ups.

Now, I'll tell you a story:

At the Authors' Club of Hollywood, California, of which I am a member, a United States Senator recently dropped in to be our guest speaker. He is one of the youngest and yet most popular members of Congress. He is a personal friend of President Truman, and quite high up in the counsels of the Administration. He was on his way to the present session of Congress and made some very interesting comments about its program.

He predicted a long, hard battle over the Marshall Plan, with the possibility of events happening so fast that before aid is passed, Europe will be a totally different picture than the one the Marshall Plan is cut to fit.

The Senator predicted that this session would usher two more states into the American union: Alaska and Hawaii, making us an even fifty states. He said that this would be all right with both big political parties, because Alaska would likely send two Democrat Senators and a Democrat representative, and Hawaii would likely send Republican members to Congress.

And he predicted — I am just reporting, now — that in case the Republicans nominate a military hero for President, the Democrats will have in reserve their military hero, General Marshall, now Secretary of State. The Democrat convention will take place after the Republicans have chosen, he reminded us.

Now, after all this interesting talk, the Genator from Washington State turned to me and said: "The big problem of the present Congress, however, is inflation.—Isn't that right, Professor?" My fellow members of the Authors' Club looked at me rather surprised, and the Senator said: "I didn't know I was giving away anything. I took a class under Upton Close at the University of Washington twenty-four years ago, on Oriental Life and Literature. However, we did not call him

by his pen name, Upton Close — he was Professor Josef Washington Hall to us!"

Well, it was nice to have this recognition from an old student — even if he did grow up to embrace a different school of thought from his professor, and even if I had hope that no one would guess me, to be enough older than the Senator, to have been his teacher in the university. But meeting with the Senator and several other persons whom I taught in college a quarter-century ago has made me think of the class discussions we used to have, and how it would be to turn one of these broadcasts into just such a discussion. I've brought some of my old students to the studio today. All right, students, lead off.

JOHN: Professor, I remember you used to tell us back in 1924 that you anticipated war in the Pacific, and that the white man's empires in Asia would lose out. We couldn't see it then — but it all happened. What do you see now on the world scene?

CLOSE: Well, I see the French in Indo-China, the Dutch in Indonesia and the British in Hongkong continuing to lose out, even after the British Socialist government has given up the huge empire of India and the rich territory of Burma.

I see the Russian expansionists going ahead in spite of the lessons of what has happened to the older empires. The Asiatics will turn to the Russians for awhile, for help against other foreigners or their own rulers whom they do not like, or in the hope of better living conditions. But as soon as they are rid of the other foreigners or disappointed in their Communist paradise, they will turn against the Russians—just as Sun Yat-sen's movement turned against the Russians and drove them out of China back in 1927.

You can put this down as certain history: The Communists do not know how to help any person or movement without bossing him, or it afterward. And as surely as they continue to boss, the people they have promoted will turn against them. Asiatics, who are very touchy about their dignity, which the Chinese call "face," will turn even faster than Europeans. But it will happen everywhere. Russian empire builders will find that preaching the gospel of Marx is not going to cause people the world over to bow down to them.

JOHN: Well, Prof. you can certainly say "I told you so!" about Russia.

BOB: You keep in close touch with Washington, Prof. What's the feel of things there?

CLOSE: Bob, I think all experienced observers feel as I do: That Washington is in much the same air of mystery and growing awe of military authority, that marked the capital in the last few months of 1941, just before the tussle with other powers became overt war.

The New York Post,  $\alpha$  pro-Administration paper, recently reported that secret negotiations are going on between the State Department and various other governments, on the contribution of forces to an international army. Its first job is to garrison Palestine. Our State Department is taking the initiative in this, according to the report.

This State Department activity naturally causes similar activity in the Department of Defense, and reporters say the Pentagon Building, U. S. Army headquarters, is becoming a busy bee-hive again. Generals, colonels and even majors are again deferred to by bureaucrats who have treated military officers pretty casually since the last war was over.

The big bureaucrats seem to have the smug assurance that they are all set for something, and the little bureaucrats whom budget-squeezers want to fire are becoming happily fatalistic, and saying: "Well, something is going to make us needed — if it isn't the Marshall Plan, it may be war!"

BOB: But you don't think war is coming, do you?

CLOSE: I think that Moscow will not challenge us with open war. By threatening to spread herself, Russia wants us to spread ourselves into weakness.

JOHN: Prof. if the Communist Power wanted to make war, do you think the American people would back their government to fight it?

CLOSE: I'm sure they would.

But one of our former co-eds is holding up her hand. Speak

ELLEN: Prof. you used to hold forth, back there in the early twenties, about the use of the word "democracy." You said it was being used altogether too loosely and carelessly. What do you think now?

CLOSE: I believe it was Woodrow Wilson who got us to using the word "democracy" to mean a "republic." Before Wilson's time the word "democracy" was used to mean a theory or system of government, not a country or nation. I believe that is still an improper use of the word. The United States of America, for instance, is defined in its Constitution not as a democracy, but as a Republic. It is designed to be a democratic Republic.

The word "democracy" means "people's rule." Often this people's rule, or democracy, has been little more than mob rule, and so the word "democracy" came into ill repute, and men who fooled the people to get into power were called demagogues.

Now the Communists have a trick of calling the Russiantype dictatorship a "democracy." Actually, democracy should be the free expression of individuals, with the desires of the greatest number of individuals governing all. Just as state control of people, even for their good, if you believe it is that, should be called paternalism, not liberalism.

ELLEN: I knew you were always a stickler for words, Prof.

CLOSE: I don't like to see people fooled by word twisters, Ellen. Special interest groups have seen the chance to promote themselves by championing the word "democracy." Now, nothing is more undemocratic than for a small number of internationalists to force and trick a whole nation into foreign policies its people are not ready for; yet every internationalist group called itself the champion of democracy.

Nothing is more undemocratic than for a small racial or religious group to promote its interests above the interests of the majority; yet such groups organized and raised huge funds and called themselves champions of democracy.

Nothing is more undemocratic than the formation of pressure groups to control Congress or control a political party or control radio and the press. But every pressure group calls itself the friend of democracy. Here's a question from the organ of a group that claims to be the only true democracy:

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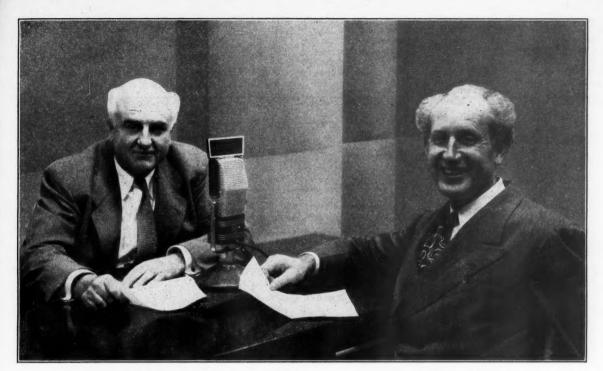
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self-styled, want is pressure to keep all opposition comment off the air and out of the press and off the lecture platform.

ELLEN: Well, we all remember how you used to battle for "free speech" and "free teach" on the campus. But I guess you've been in bigger battles for free speech since. What's the situation now?

CLOSE: Bigger and bigger battles. What I'm afraid of now is that the new movement for Civil Rights will be misused by people who want to take away everyone's rights but their own, just as the championship of democracy was turned into a racket by some agitators.

This new national Civil Rights agitation had a kick-off conference in Detroit in April, 1946. The Detroit Free Press reported of the hundred delegates claiming to represent more than one hundred organizations: (I quote) "Many of these were recognized Communists. It was indicated that the Communist Party would have control." Now comes the Pacific Coast Communist Party's organ, the People's World, with an appeal for mass pressure to shut Upton Close's mouth. They screamed about "free speech" and the "bill of rights" when the Hollywood Tawdry Ten were up before the un-American Activities Committee; they wanted "free speech" for the Ten, all right—but not for Upton Close.

JOHN: Prof, I know no one's fought harder for Civil Rights than you.

CLOSE: I believe in Civil Rights, John, for everybody. I want some for myself, too. I don't see how anyone can demand the right to talk and deny that right to others.

ELLEN: I know whom you mean, Prof. I hear them yelling "bigot" and "hatemonger" at anyone who won't be bossed by them. I think we who went to school to you know you pretty well. You have your own opinions and you speak them out. That is certainly neither bigotry nor hatemongering!

BOB: Well, I'd say that the hate-mongers are those who would like to smother everyone who exposes their bigotry!

JOHN: Agreed, Bob.

CLOSE: Well, it's a comfort to have my students agree with me. Well, I see by the clock that time's about up. It's been great playing Professor again, with you grown-up students around. Not all of you are as politically prosperous as your classmate the Senator, but I'm proud of you all!

ELLEN: Don't forget, Professor, you told me I might make an announcement to your listeners tonight.

CLOSE: Go ahead!

ELLEN: We "old grads" have enjoyed getting in on Professor Hall's broadcast. We'd be very proud if you would write to him. Upton Close, for α printed copy of this broadcast—free. The address, as Mr. Close told you, is Ten Ten Vermont Avenue, Washington 5, D.C. A complimentary copy of the radio address will be sent to you, as well as α complimentary copy of Upton Close's personal newsletter, Closer-Ups.

JOHN: I want α part in this sign-off, tool I've seen α stack of the letters coming in to the Prof—to Upton Close—on this new radio series. One of them struck me very forcibly. I'd like to share it with the listeners.

"Dear Mr. Close: As an industrial plant workman I wish to express my appreciation of your good work. It you can get your principles to the American people, it will certainly be a great service to our country in preserving our freedom and prosperity. There is plenty of honesty and horse sense among our American working men and women to assure not only the preserving of our American system, but advancing in efficiency and production and freedom.

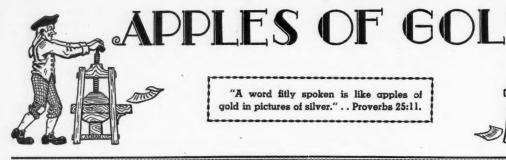
"In my close association with working people during the last forty-five years, I have been impressed by the fact that it is a very small percentage that are noisy, ignorant and dishonest. A fellow workman said to me: We are terrorized

and robbed by a few among us. Who will pay me when the unions and misgovernment have ruined my employer?' The Communists are doing tremendous work to finance and carry on this breakdown of our American system, but the average citizen has very little information to save him from the condition that Communist and Socialist controlled countries have fallen into. Here's my contribution of \$10.00. Wish it could

be larger." That's from Ft. Meyers, Florida.

ELLEN: Well, Prof, I found a letter that speaks for all your friends, I'm sure — old students and fans alike: "Upton, it was good to hear your ringing voice over the radio again!"

CLOSE: Thank you all for coming tonight. Until next week at this same time, good night and good Americanism!



"A word fitly spoken is like apples of gold in pictures of silver." . . Proverbs 25:11.



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THRIST is a Saviour strong enough to save because He is God, and near enough to save because He is man.

-William Ward Ayer.

We need the full statured Christ of whom the Bible tells; the Christ whose blood has colored the stream of time, the Christ whose philosophy fits every human need, the Christ whose teachings alone can solve the problems that vex our hearts and perplex the world.

-William Jennings Bryan.

Join thyself to the eternal God, and thou shalt be eternal.

-Augustine.

Other religions have risen out of man's search for God, but Christianity is God's search for man.

#### A CHRISTIAN IS -

- A mind through which Christ thinks,
- A heart through which Christ loves,
- A voice through which Christ speaks,
- A hand through which Christ helps.

'Tis better to be alone than in bad company.

-George Washington.

The vast army of criminals, is ten times greater than the number of students in our colleges and universities.

-J. Edgar Hoover.

More men fail through lack of purpose than through lack of talent.

-Billy Sunday.

A Church member may dwell in sin's garden, but he will only find thistles to satisfy his hunger.

-J. Harold Smith.

Every government degenerates when trusted to the rulers of people alone. The people themselves are its only safe depositories.

-Thomas Jefferson.

Truth bottled up and slyly choked, becomes a lie though never spoken.

Profanity is the effort of a weak mind, trying to express itself forcibly.

No law has ever been made, that will keep a man from making a fool of himself.

Broken homes weaken civilization, for civilization is built upon the home and family.

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Do not delay ordering the historic document exposing the Secret Police operating in America. See Page 4.

#### A SWARM OF BEES

Bee - strong in the Lord.

Bee - strong in faith.

Bee - overcomers, through Christ.

Bee - of one mind. Bee - of good cheer.

Bee - tenderhearted one to another,

Bee - forgiving in spirit.

Bee - doers of the Word of God.

Bee - open to instruction.

Bee - slow to condemn.

Bee - dead to yourself. Bee - alive in Christ.

Bee - slow to anger.

Bee - on the altar for God.

Bee - in a praying spirit.

Bee - quick to testify.

Bee - ready to serve,

Bee - quick to tell good things.

Bee - slow to tell bad things.

Bee - not afraid, only believe.

Bee - filled with the Holy Spirit.

Bee -ready to meet Christ.

Voltaire said, "I hate life; and yet I hate to die." Paul said, "For me to live is Christ, and to die is gain."

Jesus Christ is the condescension of deity, and the exaltation of humanity.

The character of your motive outweighs the success of your deed.

Living in a known sin, and then praying to God for blessing, is self-deception.

When there is half enough for all, he gets his who works twice as hard.

The nation has no better friend, than the mother who lives for Christ, and teaches her children to pray.

## The Radio Mail Bag

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E. C. K.

#### ELLSCOTT, ALBERTA CANADA

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B. S.

#### GALAHAD, ALBERTA CANADA

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W. M.

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H. E. D.

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Enclosed is a contribution for the radio work. I am a regular listener . . .

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We tuned in the radio last night and heard your program for the first time. Enclosed is \$1.00 for the Defender Magazine . . .

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We believe in the cause you espouse on the radio. Enclosed is a check for \$25.00 to help defray the cost of your broadcasts . . .

#### McPHERSON, KANSAS

Defender Hour:

Enclosed is a check for \$100.00 to help Dr. Winrod carry on his great radio ministry . .

#### MURTAUGH, IDAHO

Defender Hour:

We are listeners to your radio programs. Enclosed please find \$20.00 for the Lord's work. Send us the picture of Christ mentioned on last night's broadcast . . .

L. P. O.

HUNDREDS OF COMMUNICA-TIONS from North and Central America, and islands of the sea, pour into the Defender Radio Department every week. They come from persons in all walks of life who constitute the great family of Defender Hour listeners. A few of the letters received during the past month appear on this page. Christian friends are requested to continue their prayers in behalf of this radio ministry.

#### FLAGSTAFF, ARIZONA

Letender Hours

We hear your broadcasts every night and pray that you will continue until Jesus Comes. Enclosed you will find \$2.00 for the Defender Magazine and the five books against Communism . . . R. B. R.

#### COLORADO SPRINGS, COLORADO

Enclosed is a check for \$100.00 (one hundred dollars) to help carry on your much needed radio

#### SINTON, TEXAS

I have heard you several times on the air, Dr. Winrod, and I can't tell you how much I do enjoy listening to your blessed sermons. I do wish I had every one in print to distribute .

#### SUNNY HILL, LOUISIANA

Defender Hour:

We heard your radio broadcast last night and liked it fine. Enclosed is \$1.00 for the Defender Magazine. May the Lord continue to bless you to His honor and glory is our prayer . . . I. M.

#### MOBILE, ALABAMA

Enclosed is \$2.00 to help you with your work. May God add His blessing. I listen to the Defender Hour every night. Thank God for men like Dr. Winrod . . .

I. W. R.

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I sure did enjoy your message on the radio last night. Enclosed is \$1.00 for a 27 months subscription to the Defender Magazine . . .

R. C. L.

#### MORGANTON, NORTH CAROLINA Defender Hour:

We heartily agree with what you say on your nightly radio lectures. They are most important in these perilous times. Enclosed is \$2.00 to help carry on the good work . . .

#### LA CENTER, KENTUCKY

Enclosed is a small offering. We wish we could do more. My husband and I look forward to your messages every night . . .

L. C. S.

#### SAINT ALBANS, WEST VIRGINIA

For the first time I heard your broadcast last night. It certainly was a blessing to my soul and greatly refreshed me from the Word of God. Enclosed is \$1.00 for the Defender Magazine . . .

#### ... From Page 5 ...

We also read: "The un-American Gestapo is everywhere in America. It is interested in the private views and personal activities of everyone. There is evidence to show that:

"Members of Congress are given special attention.

"Top flight commissioned officers in both Military and Naval Intelligence have been checked by these snoopers and smeared as 'Fascists' and 'anti-Semites.'

"These private spies misrepresent themselves as 'government agents,' as members of Military Intelligence, as Congressional investigators, as F.B.I. agents, as newspaper reporters, as public officials, as writers, as election in spectors, as agents of the A.S.P.C.A., and as friends and relatives of prominent persons.

"The record shows that among the perpetrators of this Nazty business is a prize collection of ex-convicts, dope addicts, crackpots and super-duper phonies who are directed or aided and abetted by 'smart' lawyers, 'reputable' business leaders and 'honorable' government officials.

"Businesses have been wrecked, men have lost their jobs, reputations have been ruined, political careers have been shattered and candidates for public office have been defeated . . . all as a result of the dissemination of misinformation and the telling of half-truths and deliberate lies in the Smear, Purge and Persecution campaigns of the Defamation Network and its un-American Gestapo.

"The un-American Gestapo, which ties in directly with Communist and other Left Wing movements seeking the destruction of Constitutional government, has outposts in the Department of Justice, the White House, and the House of Representatives.

"One of these super-secret Jewish Intelligence' outfits, the Anti-Defamation League, boasts that it has 15 regional offices, 150 'public relations' committees (who put on the pressure) and 2000 'key men' (snoops and spies) in 1000 cities.

"In fact this Gestapo reaches into every little town and hamlet that boasts a lodge, or group of B'nai B'rith members, which always has an Anti-Defamation League committee, or representative, to work with spy headquarters.

"Peculiar isn't it, that all this great work should be done in secret."

THE APPEARANCE of Mr. Kamp's book at this crucial hour of American history, is Providential. It was not published a day too soon!

Informed patriots shudder to think what might happen to our Country in the event of war with Russia, SHOULD THIS GESTAPO STILL BE IN OPERATION.

It is your responsibility to get this information into the hands of friends and neighbors, with all possible haste. THERE IS NOT AN HOUR TO BE WASTED.

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#### Washington Attorney Writes On "Brotherhood"

Washington, D. C. February 25, 1948

General Dwight D. Eisenhower P. O. Box 332 New York 8, New York

Dear General Eisenhower:

Permit me to acknowledge your recent invitation to join a group called "The American Brotherhood," maintained by the National Conference of Christians and Jews, and dedicated to "fair play to all," to which I am already dedicated and have been all my life. In fact, true Americanism requires such dedication, limited to no special grouping.

I regret my inability to join the special group above mentioned, because the record of the so-called National Conference of Christians and Jews does not impress me favorably.

It seems to get its chief support from the so-called Federal Council of Churches, the so-called National Catholic Welfare Conference and the so-called Synagogue Council of America, all three of which are actively advocating FEPC legislation, which would constitute an entering wedge for Socialism and the destruction of our private enterprise system, and would, in addition, make "horse-play" out of fair play in the field of brotherhood and understanding between those of different races and religions.

Education, good example and good will are the only sane and reliable methods of promoting brotherhood and understanding. It can never be the lawful province of government to conduct a bureaucracy to supervise and control the free exercise by the individual of his God-given individual liberty in the selection of employees for his private enterprise. It is for him to determine whether he selects those of one race or one religion only, or whether he employs an assortment of different races and religions.

Governmental force or other interference curtailing freedom in private enterprise is essentially tyranny, no matter what the purpose or intent. Harmony between races and religions cannot be produced by artificial means, governmental or non-governmental.

Artificial coercion inevitably produces friction and hatreds, as everyone possessing common sense ought to know.

A strange combination of the scheming and the stupid (the former acting hypocritically) are making FEPC legislation (which is inherently unsound) agrave danger today. It would make a mockery of real American brotherhood as you and I honor, respect and want it. Think it over!

Very sincerely,

/s/ GEORGE E. SULLIVAN.

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## BOOK REVIEWS

#### Gil Dodds--The Flying Parson By Mel Larson

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GIL DODDS was born on June 23, 1918, at Norcatur, Kansas . . . the son of Rev. and Mrs. J. G. Dodds. His father was Pastor of the local Brethren Church.

Some time and place in his career as an athlete, the appelation "Flying Parson" was applied . . . and it has remained with him. The term "flying" is employed, because of the speed with which his legs carry him across the track.

Today, as world's champion indoor runner, he remains a quiet, unassuming, unspoiled praying Christian. Personal allegiance to Christ and loyalty to the Gospel, provide the hub around which his interests revolve.

Mel Larson, the author of "GIL DODDS — THE FLYING PARSON," makes no effort to be sensational. Affectation is wholly lacking in the life of Gil Dodds. A puffed-up or superficial account of his career, would be entirely out of order.

While the book is a thriller, from beginning to end  $\dots$  yet the thrills emerge consistently from a factual background! They comprise the record of a series of experiences, in the life of a world-famous figure, whose supreme desire is to win others to Christ.

A publisher's note says: "Gil's story—success story extraordinary! will show you, as it has shown multitudes, that one can be a world-famous athlete and a Christian with a glowing testimony."

MR. LARSON is an excellent writer. He says in the Preface to this, the third edition of his book:

"As a sports writer on a metropolitan daily, it was my privilege again and again to handle Associated Press, United Press, and International News Service stories from many cities, in which Gil Dodds competed.

"Invariably the competent sports writers paid tribute to the 'Scripture-quoting divinity student' from Boston. The way in which those stories were written was proof enough, that there was an athlete who had something more than a fine pair of legs."

The Author begins his book by helping the reader visualize the last few hours preceding one of Dodd's greatest triumphs:

"It was the usual Saturday night in New York. People were everywhere, and more of them coming.

"Not far from Times Square a fellow walked purposefully and yet not hurriedly along. The clock showed a few minutes after six o'clock.

"Down the street a few blocks, an excited mob already was starting to pour its way into Madison Square Garden. Sport fans were keyed for this night. Gil Dodds, the 'Flying Parson' from Boston, would be gunning for a new world record in the mile."

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THEN Mr. Larson takes the reader down the street to a building where a prayer-meeting is in progress. Dodds steps inside.

Jack Wyrtzen, a talented young evangelist, was in charge of the service. Hymns and Gospel songs were being sung. Prayers were being offered. The humble but distinguished visitor slipped quietly out of the service and started back toward his hotel.

"The last few hours before an athletic meet are tough on any athlete," says the Author, "and Gil Dodds, though he gets added strength from God, is human. The mental and physical strain was noticeable even as he walked along. He reached the hotel and went up to his room.

"Other times he had gone to a movie to 'rest' his nerves, but one look at Hollywood the summer before HAD CURED HIM OF MOVIES. Tonight he wanted to be alone... with God.

"No singer, he sang nonetheless. Songs like 'Sweet Hour of Prayer,' 'In The Garden,' and 'Onward Christian Soldiers' came from his lips. He sat still for a while, then slid down onto his knees for one last prayer meeting."

In a few minutes he was on his way to Madison Square Garden . . . to one of the greatest victories of his career.

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MR. LARSON omits no details that might contribute to the pleasure and profit of the reader.

In addition to the running story of numerous exploits by Gil Dodds, this book contains a wealth of common sense philosophy, scriptural teaching...and a deeply spiritual, evangelistic message for old and young alike.

No young person of high school or college age could be given a finer, more inspiring graduation present this year, than a copy of this book.

According to present plans, the Olympic Games will be held this summer, in London, after an eight-year intermission caused by the war. Gil Dodds likely will be one of America's strongest entries.

CHILD CRIME. Rev. A. D. Muse. Published by Author. Pages 71. Price 50 cents.

J. EDGAR HOOVER, director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, says:

"This country is in deadly peril. A creeping rot of moral disintegration is eating into our nation. I am not easily alarmed or easily shocked, but today,

like thousands of others, I am both alarmed and shocked. Every new case that comes to my desk adds to the overwhelming evidence that when youth commits crime, a greater crime has already been committed in the home. The first responsibility rests upon parents."

This treatise by Mr. Muse, dealing with the Cause and Cure of Child Crime, is comprehensive, challenging and illuminating. Its five sections are sufficiently exhaustive to serve as a handbook:

(1) The Problem Stated (2) The Home (3) The School (4) The Church (5) The State.

The First section analyzes the basic factors of the present crime crisis and shows that America's army of criminals now numbers six million.

The Second section discusses the importance of proper home environment, the marriage covenant, mixed marriages, divorces, the mutual responsibilities of husbands and wives, and problems which children are obliged to face.

The Third section exposes and condemns evil philosophies rampant in American schools, pitfalls of youth, and recommends corrective measures.

The Fourth section stresses the importance of religious education, the power of the Gospel to transform lives, and the Church's role in training youth.

The Fifth section explains the duties of State governments in dealing with child crime, the liquor question, and kindred evils.

Mr. Muse asks and successfully answers the question . . . WHAT CAN BE DONE ABOUT CHILD CRIME?

EXPLORING THE BIBLE. Dr. Frank E. Gaebelein. Our Hope Publishers. Pages 204. Price \$2.00.

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Chapter 6, entitled: SEVEN GUIDING PRINCIPLES FOR BIBLE STUDY, discusses methods for mastering its contents.

Chapter 7, entitled: GOD'S PLAN FOR THE AGES, divides time into seven unequal periods called Dispensations and studies God's dealings with man in each age.

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Chapter 10, entitled: SOME LAWS OF SCRIPTURE INTERPRETATION, answers the question, "How should the Bible be read?" and explains the seven major laws of Scripture interpretation.

EXPLORING THE BIBLE with Dr. Gaebelein is well worth the two dollar cost of the trip!

MY LAST FLIGHT. Rev. Charles Fisher. Published by Golden Rule Company. Pages 32. Price 50 cents.

"I CAUGHT the inspiration of a flying ministry," says Evangelist Charles Fisher, in describing his first flight, made several years ago. The pilot of the plane was a young man, who had been converted in one of his revival meetings.

Now, Mr. Fisher is meditating upon his LAST FLIGHT.

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It was not an uncommon sight for residents of Midwestern cities to see his craft soaring overhead, with its testimonial "Christ, King of Kings" shining in the Sun... and religious tracts floating earthward.

He has made many pastoral calls during the years of a fruitful ministry, by means of the swift little airship, thus acquiring for himself the title, "Flying Evangelist."

He recently escaped death by a narrow margin . . . and can account for deliverance, only on the grounds that his earthly ministry is not yet finished.

Mr. Fisher says: "When I lost consciousness in the airplane, I definitely met God. Unbelieving men and women may sneer at this and laugh with scorn. But to me it was then, and is now, a reality. I will be no nearer to the Lord in death, than when I lost consciousness in the airplane." The experience is described in detail in chapters four and five of the book.

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## SUNDAY SCHOOL

Lesson Number 1 March 21, 1948 THE KINGDOM OF GOD

Mark 4:26-29: Luke 17:20-21:

Romans 14:17.

GOLDEN TEXT: "Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven." Matthew 6:10.

(1) THE KEY WORD OF THE LESSON FOR TODAY IS "KINGDOM."

Two kingdoms are contrasted in the Scriptures, (1) the Kingdom of Heaven and (2) the Kingdom of God. Today's lesson is concerned with the latter.

Jesus said: "Seek ye first the kingdom of God." Pharisees came to Iesus one day and "demanded" to know "when the kingdom of God should come." The Lord answered: "The kingdom of God. cometh not with observation."

The original Greek vocable, "parateresis," translated observation means "an intense watching, outward show." The kingdom would not come with pomp, splendor or revolution, but rather quietly. The Lord's answer undoubtedly met with disapproval. The Pharisees had an appetite for earthly power over the Gentiles.

Jesus gave an illustration to a group of listeners regarding the manner in which the Kingdom of God would develop. He said it would be "as if a man should cast seed into the ground; and should sleep, and rise night and day, and the seed should spring and grow up, he knoweth not how."

The farmer deposits seed in the soil. Nature breaks the coat of starch. Organic life comes forth. Green shoots resist gravity and push their way up through the soil. The planter does not understand the operation.

In like manner, the coming of the Kingdom of God into human lives, is invisible. It is a mystery. It "cometh not with observation."

The Kingdom of Heaven, on the other hand, involves an entirely different set of facts . . . which are not exactly pertinent to this Lesson.

(2) THE KEY VERSE IS LUKE 17:21.

lesus said: "Neither shall they say, Lo here! or, lo there! for, behold, the kingdom of God is within you."

A leader of the Pharisees, named Nicodemus, came to Jesus by night. The Lord explained the meaning of the foregoing statement: "Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God."

Nicodemus asked: "How can a man be born when he is old?"

Christ replied: "Except a man be born of water and of the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God. That which is born of the flesh is flesh; and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit."

Paul had the same thing in mind when he wrote in his first epistle to the Corinthians: "Now this I say, brethren, that flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God." I Corinthians 15:50.

John explained how the spiritual birth takes place: "Whosoever believeth that Jesus is the Christ is born of God." I John 5:1.

The acceptance of Christ must be more than lip confession. Paul declared: "The kingdom of God is not in word, but in power." I Corinthians 4:20. Right heart motives toward God, makes the twice-born soul, the recipient of a new

(3) THE KEY FACT IS THAT "THE KINGDOM OF GOD IS DEMONSTRA-

The Kingdom of God is a present fact.

Jesus said: "I say unto you, Among those that are born of women there is not a greater prophet than John the Baptist: but he that is least in the kingdom of God is greater than he." Luke 7:28.

Our Lord was referring to the admirable human traits which characterized the life of the Baptist. But human attainment, at its highest, cannot qualify for heaven. Men must receive life from above. AND THIS LIFE IS A CURRENT REALITY.

Lesson Number 2

March 28, 1948

ETERNAL LIFE (Easter)

John 21:1-14; Colossians 3:1-4:

I John 5:11-12.

GOLDEN TEXT: "And this is life eternal, that they might know thee the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom thou hast sent." John 17:3.

(1) THE KEY WORD OF THE LESSON FOR TODAY IS "RISEN."

Christianity is the only religion which claims that its Founder is still alive.

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CHRISTIANITY originated in the mind of God. It was brought to earth by the Son of God. The Apostle's Creed states correctly that our Lord "was crucified, dead and buried: . . . the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven." The Christian religion presents A LIVING SAVIOUR TO A DYING WORLD. It may be contrasted with other religions, but not compared.

Upon the foundation of the Resurrection, is built the hope of a hopeless mankind. Dr. D. L. Moody said: "Oh what gloom and darkness would settle upon this world, if it were not for the glorious doctrine of the Resurrection."

Let us on this Easter morning, journey with Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of James, to the tomb where the body of the Saviour was placed, after being removed from the Cross.

We find the seal of the Roman government broken. The heavy stone at the mouth of the sepulchre is rolled away. An angel, stationed inside the grave, waits to make an announcement that has brought joy and hope to countless multitudes. "Ye seek Jesus of Nazareth, which was crucified: he is risen; he is not here: behold the place where they laid him."

The key word in today's lesson is "risen" (Colossians 3:1), and the keystone of the Christian religion, is the Resurrection.

(2) THE KEY VERSE IS I JOHN 5:11-12.

"This is the record, that God hath given to us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. He that hath the Son hath life; and he that hath not the Son of God hath not life."

Eternal life is manifested to our humanity in Jesus Christ. Death could not claim Him. The grave could not contain Him.

The record says that Jews "gave large money unto the soldiers, Saying, Say ye, His disciples came by night, and stole him away while we slept. And if this come to the governor's ears, we will persuade him, and secure you. So they took the money, and did as they were taught: and this saying is commonly reported among the Jews until this day."

But this conspiracy of lies was completely shattered by the chain of events that took place during the ensuing few hours.

A portion of today's Lesson describes the third visitation of Jesus to His disciples after He was risen. They were fishing from boats on the sea of Tiberias. Our Lord waited on the shore. After a miraculous draught of fish, the disciples came to land. We are told that when they approached Him, "none of the disciples durst ask Him, Who art thou? knowing that it was the Lord."

The same eternal life that was manifested in Christ, in the days of His flesh, becomes the precious possession of the believer through regeneration. "He that hath the Son hath life."

(3) THE KEY FACT IS THAT "CHRIST'S RESURRECTION ASSURES OUR RESURRECTION."

What does the Resurrection mean to us?

It demonstrates the certainty of life after death. He died and lived again.

After the Resurrection, He recognized His friends. Several instances of post-Resurrection recognition are recorded in the New Testament. This fact, assures us that we too, shall know our loved ones in the after life.

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Jesus was the sample, the example, the "first fruits of them that slept." He came forth with a deathless, diseaseless, sinless, tearless body . . . and "It doth not yet appear what we shall be: but we know that, when he shall appear, WE SHALL BE LIKE HIM."

Lesson Number 3

April 4, 1948

A PROPHET AMONG EXILES

Ezekiel 1 to 4; 33:1-9

GOLDEN TEXT: "Son of man, I have made thee a watchman unto the house of Israel: therefore hear the word at my mouth, and give them warning from me." Ezekiel 3:17.

(1) THE KEY WORD OF TODAY'S LESSON IS "REBELLIOUS."

We are now entering upon the second quarter of 1948, to begin a series of Lessons on the "Captivity and Return of the Jews."

The prophet Ezekiel is introduced. His name means, "God will strengthen." He began prophesying in B. C. 595 and continued until B. C. 573. Tradition says that he was murdered in Babylon, by members of his race for reproving their wickedness.

In our times, synagogue Jewry forbids its members to read Ezekiel's prophecies, until they have passed the thirtieth year.

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Paul was undoubtedly referring to the Talmud in II Corinthians 3:15, when he said that Jews read the writings of Moses, with a vail upon their heart."

Humanly speaking, Ezekiel's task was hopeless from the beginning. God said: "I send thee to the children of Israel, to a rebellious nation that hath rebelled against me." Yet, the prophet had a task to perform. The servant of God is responsible only for the message — not the results.

Ezekiel was given the following instructions, before being sent to these people:

- a. Be not afraid of them.
- b. Be not afraid of their words.
- c. Be not dismayed at their looks.
- Be not thou rebellious like that rebellious house.
- All my words that I shall speak unto thee receive in thine heart, and hear with thine ears.
- f. Speak unto them, and tell them, Thus saith the Lord God . . .

It is a terrible thing for a nation to rebel against God. Such an attitude invites judgment. Ezekiel gave his message, even in the face of opposition and persecution.

#### (2) THE KEY VERSE IS EZEKIEL 3:17.

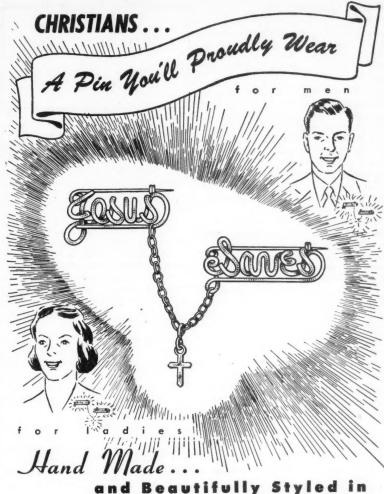
Ezekiel was appointed a "watchman." "Son of man, I have made thee a watchman... give them warnings from me."

Matthew Henry comments as follows, on the office of watchman: "Ministers are watchmen on the Church's walls (Isaiah 62:6). It is a toilsome office. Watchmen must keep awake, be they ever so sleepy, and keep abroad, be it ever so cold. They must stand all weathers upon the watch-tower. Isaiah 21:8; Genesis 31:40.

"It is a dangerous office. Sometimes they cannot keep their post, but are in peril of death from the enemy, who gain their point if they kill the sentinel; and yet they dare not quit their post upon pain of death from the General. Such a dilemma are the Churchs' watchmen in. Men will curse them if they be faithful, and God will curse them if they be false. But it is a needful office."

It is obvious that a watchman cannot be sensitive to criticism.

(3) THE KEY FACT IS THAT GOD NEEDS WATCHMEN ON THE WALL TODAY.



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Denver, Colorado was chosen as a testing ground for the so-called "Civil Rights" proposal, later introduced to Congress. The plan, as submitted in the Rocky Mountain area, provided for silencing "Fundamentalist Christianity." A Fundamentalist is one who believes in the deity of Christ and the inspiration of the Bible. These views are objectionable to those who are trying to SOVIETIZE THE STATE THROUGH THE CHURCH.

Modernism has inflicted a deadly wound upon the Church and devitalized its message. Communism and Modernism go hand in hand. One weakens the political structure. The other weakens the religious structure. The effort to unite Protestants, Catholics and Jews is an ominous trend. Many Church congregations, in the United States, never hear a true Gospel sermon.

The warning cry of faithful watchmen to probe the soul, enlighten the mind and involve the conscience, IS THE SU-PREME NEED OF THE HOUR.

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= Lesson Number 4

April 11, 1948 GOD'S MESSAGE TO A PEOPLE

Ezekiel 18:1-4: 36:22-38: 37:1-14.

GOLDEN TEXT: "A new heart also I give you, and a new spirit will I put within you: and I will take away the stony heart out of your flesh, and I will give you an heart of flesh." Ezekiel 36:26.

#### (1) THE KEY WORD OF THE LESSON FOR TODAY IS "SANCTIFY."

Ezekiel was among those taken into Babylonian captivity. Speaking broadly, the purpose of his ministry was to keep before the generation born in exile, the national sins which had brought the Israelitish nation so low. He tried to promote a revival. He wanted his nation to humble itself before God in repent-

After 21 years of prophesying, he was put to death. His prophecies are remarkable for the long range information which they contain. Some of them, particularly those recorded in the thirtyeighth chapter of his Book, apply to the times in which we live.

Ezekiel knew that the mission of his people was to preserve the light of divine revelation, in a world wrapped in pagan darkness. He wished them to fulfill their destiny. Instead, they preferred to go their own way, and mark themselves with the sins of a Babylonian environment.

An evil proverb was circulated among the exiled people, intended as a reflection on God's integrity. They said: "The fathers have eaten sour grapes, and the children's teeth are set on edge." Ezekiel 18:2. By this they meant to insinuate that God was punishing them, for the sins of their fathers. But inspiration prompted the prophet to proclaim: "The soul that sinneth, it shall die." Sin, both national and personal, is an insult to God, and must be judged.

Yet, Ezekiel made known the fact that Judgment would be tempered with Grace. God would use these people, in some measure, in spite of themselves! "I will sanctify my great name . . . which ye have profaned."

#### (2) THE KEY VERSE IS EZEKIEL 36:36.

"I the Lord have spoken it, and I will do it."

God keeps his word. He had previously entered into covenant relationship with Abraham, in whose loins was the seed, from which a body would be produced, to house deity. Our Lord's human body was eventually formed in the womb of a descendant of Abraham.

When God made the covenant with Abraham. He vowed to fulfill His part of the agreement, even though Abraham's seed should turn their backs on Him, crucify His Son and become as a stench in His nostrils. "God is not a man. that he should lie." Numbers 23:14.

The covenant with Abraham was confirmed 447 years later to Moses. Foreknowledge caused an "IF" to be inserted: "The Lord shall establish thee an holy people unto himself, IF thou shalt keep the commandments of the Lord thy God . . . But if thou shalt not do his commandments . . . curses shall come upon thee."

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This solemn warning was ignored. The nation rebelled against God. They disregarded the covenant that had made them strong. They violated their oath, and apostatized. The word APOSTASY, is full of tragic meaning, whether applied to a nation or an individual. Its only cure is judgment.

#### (3) THE KEY FACT IS THAT GOD KEEPS HIS PROMISES.

The promise of God to Abraham, "In thee shall all the families of the earth be blessed," transcended human levels. It referred to the fact that Abraham was in the bloodline, between Eden and the Manger.

The race which he founded, was meant to be the custodian of the seed, promised in Genesis 3:15.

Despite man's unworthiness and rebellious attitude, God kept His promises and continued to manifest loving concern. The plan of human redemption was consummated at the Cross as prom-

"He hath not dealt with us after our sins; nor rewarded us according to our iniquities. For as the heaven is high above the earth, so great is his mercy toward them that fear him." Psalms 103:10-11.

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